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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Donald Gould, Jr. on the
4 occasion of his retirement as chief of the Prospect Heights
5 Fire Protection District; and

6 WHEREAS, Donald Gould, Jr. has served the Prospect Heights
7 Fire Protection District since beginning as a volunteer in
8 1969; he was promoted to assistant chief in 1981, appointed
9 chief in 1988, and became the district's first full-time chief
10 in 2000; and

11 WHEREAS, Donald Gould, Jr. is the fourth fire chief in the
12 history of the Prospect Heights Fire Protection District; his
13 predecessors include his late father, Donald Gould, Sr.; and

14 WHEREAS, Donald Gould, Jr. has spent his career championing
15 firefighting education by graduating from the School of Fire
16 Protection at Oklahoma State University, becoming one of the
17 first certified chief officers in the State of Illinois, and
18 developing a firefighter certification training program; and

19 WHEREAS, Donald Gould, Jr. promoted safety and well-being
20 in the communities served by the district and worked to bring
21 paramedic services to Prospect Heights; and

1 WHEREAS, Donald Gould, Jr. secured public trust and
2 authority through a referendum to issue \$1.1 million in bonds
3 to expand the fire station and modernize the fleet; and

4 WHEREAS, During the 28 years of Donald Gould, Jr.'s
5 leadership, the Prospect Heights Fire Protection District has
6 expanded from 30 paid-on-call firefighters responding to 600
7 calls a year from a single station to 50-plus part-time and
8 full-time firefighters responding to about 2,000 calls a year
9 from two stations; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 congratulate Donald Gould, Jr. on the occasion of his
13 retirement and wish him continued success and happiness in the
14 future; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to Donald Gould, Jr. as a symbol of our esteem and
17 respect.